	State/Union Territory	Amount
23	National Capital Territory of Delhi	121.66
24	Orissa	446.68
25	Pondicherry	29.28
26	Punjab	1884.82
27	Rajasthan	508.09
28	Sikkim	4.87
29	Tamil Nadu	2000.23
30	Tripura	33.44
31	Uttar Pradesh	1740.02
32	West Bengal	880.22
	Total	15953.83

Written-off Advances amount realised by Nationalised Banks

318. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 1220 given in the Rajya Sabha on 3.12.96 and state:

(a) the amount realised by each of the nationalised banks out of the written-off advances during the last three years; and

(b) how many debts over Rs. one crore are written-off and names of such borrowers, bank-wise?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) RBI's data reporting system does not generate information in the manner asked for.

(b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Comparative figures of Customs revenue collection

319. SHRIMATI VEEN A VERMA: Will the
Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the customs revenue collected and the extent of revenue collected as arrears of dues for the previous years during 1996-97 so far, and the comparative figures for 1995-96 and 1994-95;

(b) how much of customs revenue collection is locked-up in litigation; and

(c) how much of such dues are estimated to have been lost due to under-invoicing of imports in connivance with officials concerned; and how many such cases of connivance have been detected this year indicating the amount of duty involved therein?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) The amount of Customs revenue collected during 1996-97 (up to 31.1.97) is Rs. 34812 crore. The amount of revenue collected as arrears of dues for the previous years during 1996-97, up to 31.1.97 is Rs. 16.85 crore and the comparative figures for 1994-95 and 1995-96 are Rs. 7.16 crore and Rs. 11.90 crore respectively.

(b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(c) No case of loss of revenue due to under-invoicing of imports in which there has been connivance with officials, has been reported this year.

Steps to check Frequent Withdrawals of Provident Fund money

320. DR. RANBIR SINGH:
SHRI RAM NATH KOVIND:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Govemment are aware that the Central Government employees have made frequent withdrawals from their Provident Fund deposits during the last three financial years especially employees working in Delhi;

(b) whether such withdrawals have been invested in various fixed deposits schemes floated by private and public sector enterprises offering higher rate of interests;

(c) whether Govemment propose to revise the rate of interest on deposits made in Provident Fund to check frequent withdrawals;

(d) whether Govemment also propose to offer some incentives to employees on yearly basis; and

(e) if so, details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) and (b) The Central Government employees are allowed withdrawals from Provident Fund for the various purposes specified under Rules 15 & 16 of GPF & CPF Rules respectively. The official withdrawing the amount is required to